

August Meeting of the Shire of Bordescros.

Date: August 13th 2017. Meeting started: 12:30 pm 19 Snowdon Street, Wodonga and via Skype.

Present: Joy Walker (Chair); Tracey Sawyer (Minutes); Scott Murrowood; Kim Palmer; Scott Bulters; Andrew Walker; Anastasia Jubb. Via SKYPE: Paul Willis; Julie Willis; Darryl South, Helen South.

Apologies: Debbie Sanders; Kimberley Beatty; Tamsin Walle-Semmler; Lee Unitt; Marieangela Unitt.

Correspondence In:

1. Email to Albury City Council re Moresby Park unsuitability.
2. Anne Robinson re 'The Merger' requesting unpaid extras for the movie.
3. Veteran's Health Week, October 2017, sent to Paul Willis.
4. James Fallon High School re demo, requested for September 13th.
5. Border Dimensions re site – near Retro Café, no tent pegs.
6. Tim Liersch (OziBoD) re bank accounts – sent to Scott Bulters
7. Bank statement sent to Paul Willis
8. Email re Fusion Festival, site risk assessment, sent to Paul Willis
9. Request from Thurgoona School for a demo, at a date to fit in with us, sent to Scott Murrowood.

Correspondence Out:

1. Response to Thom Burton, as decided last meeting.
2. Response to film request, negative.
3. Response to Border Dimensions re site.

Previous minutes:

MOTION: July 2017 minutes be accepted as posted to Dropbox.

MOVED: Scott Bulters

SECOND: Tracey Sawyer

CARRIED

Business Arising:

1. **Purchase of Archery Equipment:**

6 fletch jig, fletchtite glue, 200 fletches, 100 black nocks, bow stringer, Tab BearPaw classic glove, Velcro fingerless padded gloves, fibre tape, 2 arrow shaft sharpeners, total value approx \$500.00. Purchase price \$214.00

MOTION: That Bordescros purchase the equipment offered by Tig Beswick, inspected by Tamsin Walle-Semmler and Paul Willis.

MOVED: Paul Willis

SECOND: Andrew Walker

CARRIED

2. **Bank account/s:**

Motion by Darryl South to rescind decision made at last meeting, as he sees no practical value in the change, and the proposal was not adequately advertised.

Discussion took place

MOTION: To rescind the decision made at the last meeting.

MOVED: Darryl South

SECOND: Paul Willis

Tied Result – no change.

3. Motion from Wagga members (Paul Willis, Julie Willis, Kimberley Beattie) who believe that the only way they will be comfortable in moving forward is to reinstate 'earmarking' of funds.

MOTION: To rescind the motion that occurred during the June 17 meeting in which the earmarking of funds was removed, so that Motion 2 can be discussed.

MOVED: Paul Willis

SECOND: Darryl South

CARRIED

4. Second motion from Wagga members to reinstate the previous agreement (dated May 2016) so that surplus funds for Border War 2017 be allocated to Albury and Wagga on a 50/50 basis. A very lengthy and passionate discussion took place, questions clarified, Reeve's advised this has not occurred because he has been waiting on the outcome of this meeting.

Discussion included the historical splitting of Border War funds a decision is made after the reports are in, on how the money will be used. \$1500 is put aside as a starter fund for the following Border War, we look at Kingdom needs and make a donation to Kingdom funds (Martialate, Scribes, Travel Fund, have all been given donations in the past), we also at times donate to mundane charities, for example the year of the really bad bushfires. Then the remaining money has been put into the Shire account to assist with general running costs. Going forward, we will continue, after each Border War, to discuss how profit is to be divided or shared by however many groups need it in the Shire. When asked if everyone is ready to vote, the meeting was paused as sound was muted in Wagga; 2 to 3 minutes later sound came back on and meeting resumed.

MOTION: As previously agreed (council meeting May 2016) the surplus funds for Border War 2017 be allocated to Albury and Wagga on a 50/50 basis.

MOVED: Paul Willis

SECOND: Gunther

CARRIED

Reports:

SENESCHAL

Joy Walker / Caristiona inghean Raghnaill

1. Thank you to all who attended the Shire's 15th Anniversary Gathering in Albury in July. It was wonderful to have so many of the Shire's members together in one place and to see some earlier members return to visit us for the celebration. . It was good to have media coverage from Border Mail and ABC Goulburn.
2. I have been continuing to try to contact AWSFC regarding our current venue, lease
3. Albury's old fridge is to be replaced under warranty, decision should be made soon.
4. No applications have been received yet for Web Officer
5. Current membership is 26 adults plus 7 minors, this still does not include the Carnegie Family (+3). The split is 16/5 in the south and 10/2 in the north.

DEPUTY SENESCHAL- Loch Corbie – Paul Willis / James Douglas

1. Northern training and gatherings are happening regularly, although there was no training this week due to the rain.
2. There will be no gathering in October, as we will all be at the Border Dimensions demo in Albury; and no gathering in December as most members will be away at Fields of Gold. (James has decided not to have a vigil.)
3. While Lee and Marieangela Unitt are away, informal training has been moved to the Darryl and Helen's home.

REEVE – Scott Bulters / Gunther Boese

1. Re emails with Tim Liersch, and following up the last report. Scott B has been trying to move that statements are mailed to the Kingdom officer as required by Lochac Law, but he is not a signatory at the bank. All of the signatories are out of date. In future, only the Board of Directors (OZIBod) will be signatories for cheques, but that will not

affect online banking. Scott B has paperwork to be signed by two current signatories to allow BoD members to replace them.

MOTION: That we change the signatories at the bank to be in line with Lochac Law and as requested by Time Liersch.

MOVED: Scott Bulters

SECOND: Julie Willis

CARRIED

2. Following up from the \$5 missing from Albury float. The missing funds were actually paid to the bank as donations, in error.

MOTION: That the Reeve withdraws from the bank the \$5 banked in error and returns it to the float.

MOVED: Scott Bulters

SECOND: Julie Willis

CARRIED

3. The current Reeve's report has been added to Dropbox. There is approx. \$7,000.00 in the bank, including \$1,500 for Border War and approx. \$400 of the Geteld grant.

MOTION: That the Reeve's report in Dropbox be accepted.

MOVED: Scott Bulters

SECOND: Helen South

CARRIED

4. Reeve would like to advise that he is now required to reconcile funds and documents every month by the 15th of the month. He would appreciate all paperwork being put into Dropbox in a timely manner, please.

MARSHAL – Scott Murrowood / Robert Campbell

1. At the 15th Anniversary tournament there were 8 fighters, with 2 fighters fighting the byes.
2. Training has recommenced in Wodonga on the last weekend of the month. In July they had 4 fighters practising. As the weather warms up there will be extra training each month, dates to be advised. [Seneschal added that A&S after the meeting is an opportunity for fighters to have a training session, as the hall is already booked for that 2nd Sunday.]
3. There have been no new authorisations this month.
4. Wagga had their monthly tourney last weekend. 6 attended, with 4 fighters in the tourney. Style was: first round Sword & Shield; second round was Great Weapons; and third was own choice. WINNER: Aelfgar, Francesco and Iames tied for second place. There was one case of armour failure, and no injuries.

HERALD – Tracey Sawyer / Lowry ferch Gwynwyn ap Llewelyn

1. The last LOI had Eleanor Gardener's name, also Robert Campbell (I think).
2. To be completed URGENTLY:
 - a. Eleanor's sunflower, colour correction
 - b. Stewart's name and documentation to be re-sent/his arms to have the little place marker on the side corrected so that it can be put into the LOI
 - c. Grissell Gray has had name search and documentation prepared, but Grissell needs to fill out the forms and give me the drawing of her arms so they can be sent in. I will contact her asap to do this so she can also be in the next LOI.
 - d. Aedwyn and Ulfric have spoken to me month's ago, a time needs to be made so they can get there paperwork completed and in.
3. I am planning on the 4th Sunday A&S at my home to be for anyone who wants to fill in and submit armoury to come and do it online, so we can submit as much as possible so that some may be through by Border War 2018.

4. Active Heralds in the Shire are myself, Gunther (drop-dead deputy), Cairistiona, Aelthwyn. James does voice heraldry in Wagga when no other herald is available.

ARTS & SCIENCES – Kim Palmer / Kolgrima Hrafnisdottir

1. We had a fantastic display of A&S at the Anniversary Gathering, with both completed and in-progress items displayed.
2. Next month (September) a collegia on medieval style hoods is planned.

CONSTABLE – Andrew Walker / Aelthwynn Maccuswell

1. He has not received updates from either end of the Shire, please email reports to Andrew at andrew_max_walker@hotmail.com
2. Paul Willis is filling in as constable in Wagga while Lee Unitt is away in Q'land.

LISTS – Scott Bulters / Gunther Boese

1. This is Gunther's last report as he has stepped down as list officer and has advised the Kingdom officer that he has stepped down.
2. Albury 15th Anniversary Gathering 15/07/2017: Round Robin
HEAVY: 8 fighters + 1 unauthorised and 1 who arrived late fought the byes.
FIRST: Sir Tomas Askelson
SECOND: Magnus Thorbiornsson
THIRD: Robert Campbell
RAPIER: 3 fighters + 1 unauthorised who fought the byes.
FIRST: James Douglas
SECOND: Catalina de Montoya
THIRD: Aefic of Bordescros
3. Wagga Gathering 05/08/2017: Round Robin
HEAVY: 3 fighters + 1 unauthorised fought the byes.
FIRST: Aelfgar of Bordescros
SECOND: Equal Seconds: James Douglas & Francesco Bon Amico
4. Championship points are up on Dropbox; leading the heavies is Robert Campbell and leading the rapieriste is James Douglas.
5. Finally, all list reports need to include who participated as well as who placed in the top three positions.

WEBMINISTER

1. No webminister, the position is still vacant, and we really need someone as that role is a large part of our promotions strategy.

HOSPITALLER

1. No report

CHIRURGEON:

1. Vacant

EVENTS:

Border War: Paul and Julie resigned as stewards. Call for replacement only had one reply, so Tracey Sawyer will be the Steward, with Scott Bulters as her Deputy Steward.

1. Proposal: See attached document at end of minutes.
2. We have 2 months to catch-up on the schedule, so have had 3 meetings (approx 10 hours) already. Pricing, planning, prepping the booking sheets, preparing announcement for Pegasus which has to be in this month for publication in October, organising ideas for decorations etc.
3. PRICING: For the first time in about 5 years there is a price rise at Camp Kurrajong, so the base price has had to rise by \$5 per adult to cover the change. Prices are now:

PRICING:

All prices are for members, non-members add \$5 pp for insurance. Book early, \$40 non-refundable deposit. Payment Plan available: pay in monthly instalments to suit your budget, full price must be paid prior to the event. Camping included in price, Caravans no extra cost, Dorms + \$12 per person/per night.

Prior to December 31, 2017

MEMBERS:

Adult \$110 Child: 5-16 \$60 Family price: 2 adults & 2 child, rest free. < 5 yrs free.

Day rates:

Adult: Full Day (includes lunch) \$55 Feast: \$25 Day Rate + Feast \$80.00

Child: Full Day (includes lunch) \$30 Feast: \$12.50 Day Rate + Feast \$42.50

January & February:

MEMBERS:

Adult \$120 Child: 5-16 \$65 Family price: 2 adults & 2 child, rest free. < 5 yrs free.

Day rates:

Adult: Full Day (includes lunch) \$60 Feast: \$30 Day rate + Feast: \$90

Child: Full Day (includes lunch) \$32.50 Feast: \$15 Day Rate + Feast \$47.50

At the Gate:

MEMBERS:

Adult \$130 Child: 5-16 \$70 Family price: 2 adults & 2 child, rest free. < 5 yrs free.

Day rates:

Adult: Full Day (includes lunch) \$65 Feast: \$35.00 Day rate + Feast: \$100

Child: Full Day (includes lunch) \$35.00 Feast: \$20.00 Day Rate + Feast \$55.00

MOTION: That these updated prices be ratified for use this year at Border War.

MOVED: Scott Bulters

SECOND: Helen South

CARRIED

4. Steward has begun to update the Border War webpage, which will be completed as soon as everything has been approved.
5. Suggestion that we add a children's war point challenge similar to the adults War Bands. It was obvious everyone was in favour, so we didn't vote, it will be trialled this year.

Local events: To be added to the website in calendar form.

19 Aug Southern Gathering Albury

2 Sept Northern Gathering in Wagga

10 Sept Shire Meeting / A&S in Albury

16 Sept Southern Gathering in Albury

7 Oct Border Dimensions in Albury

21 Oct Fusion Festival in Wagga

Christmas / Yule event in December to be hosted by Albury, or by Wagga in November so as not to clash with Fields of Gold.

MOTION: That Albury host the Yule Feast this year in Albury on 16th December

MOVED: Joy Walker

SECOND: Scott Bulters

Suggestion that it be held mid-way between north & south. At Lochanora or Henty. All to think about it, and decision will be made at next month's meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Sir Gui has announced that bids are open for November Crown 2018. The Seneschal would like to put in a bid as it is 8 months after Border War XX and 3.5 months prior to Border War XXI, so will not impact running them. Also, we haven't hosted a Crown event for quite some time. She is thinking of Culcairn Showground, as the pony club has horse facilities there, which we may be able to use, meaning we can add an equestrian flavour to the event. Paul Willis advised that he would not be available to assist.

MOTION: That we put in a bid for November Crown Tourney next year.

MOVED: Cairistiona inghean Raghnaill

SECOND: Gunther Boese

1 against, rest for. CARRIED

Next meeting: 10th September, 2017 at 12:30 pm via usual methods / at 19 Snowden St Wodonga & via Skype

Meeting ended: 1:58 pm

Attachment:

PROPOSAL FOR BORDER WAR XX

THEME: Twentieth Anniversary, Then and Now.

STEWARDS: Lord Gunther and Lady Lowry

This event is a landmark event for the Shire, and will ideally be a celebration of our history. The first Border War occurred in the February just 5 months after the Incipient Shire was created. Some of those first members are still/again members of the Shire and will hopefully be present. The theme they had at the time was a war to decide which Barony would have the honour of sponsoring the fledgling Shire. So the proposed War theme is, once again, Politarchoopolis v. Stormhold or more generically NORTH v SOUTH.

We would like to invite the founding members and the Barons of those days to attend, as well as current Barons. It would also be appropriate to invite the then Prince & Princess and present Royalty. [Just an individual emailed invitation although we cannot afford to comp prices for all of them, we will offer them the first price without increases the same as all members of Bordescros].

Some suggestions to make the event 'special':

- a wall-hanging for 'then'. The Bordescros device surrounded by the devices of the founding member. This can be hung next to the banner for 'Now' made for last year's Border War.
- founding members and past Prince & Princess and Barons, current Royalty and Barons to be seated at the High Table for feast.
- a sobtlety that celebrates the Shire as the centre piece of the feast (already discussed with Feast Steward, and approved).
- any other ideas that Shirelings may have that we can incorporate?

All the usual components of Border War will ideally be included: War scenarios; Tourneys in all three martial arts; Boffer Bomb Battle; the Village Green with other children's activities, a tavern, the market; the War Bands competition and Parade; the Memorial Bardic Competition.

For A&S we would like one of the competitions to be an OPEN category, displaying what people have been working on, as that was so well supported at the Birthday Gathering.

For the War Scenarios, we would like to reprise some of our old traditional war games: the Zombie Run, the Cheese Battle, etcetera if there are any fighters left who remember how they were run. Even if they are tacked on to the end of the 'real' war, that will be decided on by the Marshal's team.

We would this year like to introduce the new Lists role of War Lord/Lady who's role will be to compile all the War Points throughout the event – Stewart has agreed to learn Lists for this role, this year.

We would like to propose a separate War Band Competition for the Children & Youths too young to fight in adult battles: Like the adult War Bands they will compete in Boffer Tourney (Saturday afternoon), Games Tourneys, A&S they enter and of course their very own Boffer Bomb Battle against the grownups. [At A&S names were discussed... Period terms for children were infant, stripling, youngster, mitling, youngling and fauntkin... so for now the working title is *The Crossing's Fauntkin Challenge...* to be voted on at September meeting.]

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Stewarding roles, showing those already filled. Volunteers for other roles please contact the stewards.

STEWARDS	Lowry f. Gwynwynwyn 0417 412 450 Gunther Boese (Deputy)
BOOKINGS OFFICER	Stewards
FEAST STEWARD	Thomasina Coke
REEVE	Gunther Boese (behind-the-scenes role)
CONSTABLE	Aelthwynn Maccuswell
LISTS	Cairistiona inghean Raighnald (Lists) Stewart Foxe (War Bands Warlord)
HERALD-in-Charge	Lowry F. Gwynwynwyn/Gunther Boese Tba (Additional Voice Heralds)
MARTIAL-in-Charge	Robert Campbell Tba - (Rapier) Tba - (Archery)
ARTS & SCIENCES	Kolgrima Hrafnisdottir Tba – (Competition Judges)
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES	Tba – offers of assistance appreciated
MARKET	Tba – offers of assistance appreciated (Possibly Eleanor Gardener, as it is not too onerous in the heat.)
DECORATIONS/SIGNAGE	Cairistiona – organise A&S workdays to prepare decorations – Tba Offers of assistance over next few months appreciated
ROYAL LIAISON	Stewarding Team